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IDOC Hosting Summit of Hope

(Springfield, IL) -- The Illinois Department of Corrections is hosting the Summit of Hope in Joliet on Wednesday, September 2nd. It's a one-stop environment where parolees and probationers can get assistance to move past barriers that may prevent them from leading a successful life. They'll be able to meet with local employers, get a driver's license, and have a health screening.

The Summit of Hope is a program designed to meet the critical needs of those who have recently been released back into the community. These men and women are working to become productive members of society and the services available to them at the Summit are often the difference between success and failure. The objective of the Summit is to reduce the recidivism rate by giving parolees and probationers the "Hope" they need to live a life free of crime. A crime-free life for ex-offenders translates into safer communities for everyone.

More than 700 parolees have been invited to attend this event, which is being held at the Salvation Army, located at 300 3rd Avenue in Joliet.

MEDIA ADVISORY

WHAT: The Summit of Hope, an expo organized and run by the Illinois Department of Corrections

WHEN: Wednesday, September 2nd, 2015

TIME: 8:00a.m. - 2:00p.m. Media should arrive at 9:45am.

WHERE: Salvation Army, 300 3rd Ave, Joliet, IL 60433

WHO WILL PARTICPATE: Several Illinois state legislators, Illinois Department of Employment Security – Veteran Services, Catholic Charities Diocese of Joliet, National Hook-Up of Black Women, Inc., Road to Recovery House, Symbol Training Institute, Human Resources Development Institute Inc.

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